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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7387**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1695

**NOTE PREPARED:** Feb 3, 2003

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Minority Health Initiatives.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Crawford

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** CR Adopted - 1<sup>st</sup> House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X

**GENERAL  
DEDICATED  
FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill adds Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, and other Pacific Islander to the definition of minority under the Interagency State Council on Black and Minority Health. The bill changes Council membership. It requires the Council to develop and implement a plan to address health disparities of minority populations in Indiana, to coordinate local minority health coalitions with counties, and to establish a liaison between the State Department of Health and the Indiana Minority Health Coalition.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2003.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** This bill adds four members to the Interagency Council on Black and Minority Health. The additional members are to be appointed by the Governor based on the recommendation of organizations concerned with the health, economic, social, or educational needs of minorities. Assuming the additional members will not be governmental employees, each would receive per diem and reimbursement of travel expenses for attending the Council's meetings. Per diem for lay members is \$50. The Council is required to meet four times per year.

The bill would also require the Council to develop and implement a comprehensive plan and time line to address health disparities of Indiana's minority populations. It provides for the Indiana Minority Health Coalition, Inc., (IMHC) to coordinate with the State Department of Health in staffing and assisting with the implementation of the comprehensive plan. According to the IMHC, it is currently running and funding such a comprehensive plan.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

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**State Agencies Affected:** State Department of Health.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

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